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MONROE COUNCIL 1266 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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You're Invited to a Regular Joe's Social

## "Holy Smokes"

Thurs., September 28 at 6 pm

K of C Patio & Lounge

Open to All Catholic Men

ages 18 & over.

Invite your friends!

Enjoy a Self-Cooked Steak, Baked Potato and Salad

\$25.00 per person. While supplies last. Cash Bar

No need to like Cigars - Cigars Optional!

RSVP: Jeff Whalen – Text/Call: 313-268-0979

Email: [jwhalen5966@gmail.com](mailto:jwhalen5966@gmail.com)



**JOIN US!**

## Men's Prayer Breakfast

The "REGULAR JOE" is a group of Catholic Men  
"Sharing of our Faith".

Meetings every 1st & 3rd Thurs., 5:45a.m. - 7a.m.



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## From Our Grand Knight

Brother Knights and Ladies of Monroe Council 1266,

Brother knights and Ladies of Monroe Council 1266, Summer is nearly over and I have started my 3rd year as Grand Knight! Where has the time gone? We have many events happening here at the council and the hall. We are preparing for a Family of Parishes event on Wednesday, September 27th at 6 p.m. Next is the "Line Dance Lesson" with Denise and Kathy on Monday, October 2nd in the evening. Tootsie Roll sales at the St. Mary, St. John, St. Anne and St. Charles parishes on October 7th and 8th after all Masses. St. Michael will be the next weekend Oct 14th-15th. All proceeds from the Tootsie Roll sales will be given to the Saint Andre Bessette program at SMCC. Following that is the speaker Joe Boggs has invited, his name is Jason Evert, and he will be at the Hall on Monday, October 23rd in the evening. Then we'll be getting ready for distribution for Coats for Kids on Saturday, November 18th in Hall 2 between 9:00 AM and Noon. December brings the PGK/Clergy dinner on Saturday, December 9th with Mass starting at 5:30 and dinner to follow. Lastly, for the end of the year, is the packing of nearly 350 food boxes for distribution right before Christmas. Along with all the other "business" that has to take place to keep our council running. We also plan on having more corporate communions at all the parishes within this fraternal year. Watch your emails and website - [kofcmonroe1266.com](http://kofcmonroe1266.com) - for details as the events get closer to their respective dates.

For the first three months of this fraternal year the Council has been very busy. We have had two exemplifications already!! That is good news. Our new members are Rob Kidd, Shawn Kidd, Brian Masserant, Andrew Kohler, and William Hernandez. Welcome Brothers! If you know or see these new members, please welcome them in and invite them to participate in functions.

In conclusion, I would like to congratulate all the new officers of the Council, Building Association and 4th Degree. Namely our newest Council officer John Merriman as outside guard and new Building Association President Terry Durocher and Vice President Doug Kuras. I'd like to also congratulate 4th Degree Faithful Navigator Rick Parker. \* Little interesting fact about the Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator.... We both share the same birthday! \*

Shades of Gold (prayer)

*So many shades of gold Autumn. Another miracle we take for granted.*

*Another expression of the artist's vision. The blending of the Autumn hues with the setting sun.*

*Warm... Comforting... Perfect... Thank you for Autumn, Lord.*

Author Unknown

Blessed Michael J. McGivney, Pray for Us! Vivat Jesus,

*Julian Rios*  
65<sup>th</sup> Grand Knight

## Fourth Degree



Worthy Sirs and 3rd Degree Council members,

Vivat Jesus! First, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Rick Parker. I have been elected Faithful Navigator for this physical year. I am a member of council #1266 and recording secretary of the Monroe Building Association. I am married to my wife Carly Parker, and we attend St. Mary's in Rockwood, along with our 8 children. This is my first year serving as Navigator.

Second, I feel 4th degree is underrepresented and encourage meeting participation to keep our membership up to date on current programs and needs. Our meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm. Currently we are trying to grow our color guard. Our assembly currently reimburses \$300 for the uniform.

Finally, I would like to remind all 3rd degree members that our next exemplification is to take place Saturday September 30th at St. Isidore in Macomb, MI. This exemplification only happens twice a year. If you are in 3rd degree and would like to join the degree of patriotism, please don't hesitate to message me personally (headofparker@gmail.com).

Honored to Serve You,  
Rick Parker  
Faithful Navigator

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## Goodfellows Club



Fellow Goodfellows,

Just a couple of quick notes: The Tootsie Roll Sale is only at our Parishes this fall after all masses **Oct. 7-8 at St. Mary, St. John, St. Anne, & St. Charles, Oct. 14-15 at St. Micheal.** The moneys raised from this sale go to the SMCC "Inclusion Program", which is a great cause! If you are not selling Tootsies - Set a good example and buy some!

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR** – This year is that odd year when our Christmas food packing and delivering is done a DAY EARLIER! This will be one of the years when Christmas Eve is on a Sunday!

**BOX PACKING WILL BE FRIDAY THE 22ND & DELIVERY SATURDAY THE 23RD.**

PGK Jay Jondro Sr  
Goodfellows Club President

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## Financial Secretary



Worthy Brother Knights, It is hard to believe, but it is almost time for me to start sending out dues notices for next year. We still have not collected this year's dues from a number of members so, if you are one of those who has not yet paid, your dues notice will be higher than normal. Our council cannot sustain paying the Supreme and State Per Capita fees for the members who do not pay their dues. If you are experiencing hardship or just need extra time to pay, please let us know and arrangements can be made. **When you receive your dues notice, you only need to pay for your membership class that is highlighted at the top.** You DO NOT need to pay for all the classification that are listed on the lower section of the dues notice.

Members who are **not** required to pay dues are, HONORARY LIFE, ACTIVE MILITARY, FULL TIME STUDENT or if you are DISABLED. If you fall into one of these categories, please send in a note or documentation in place of your dues notice. Honorary Life members, we know who you are and there is no need for any documentation. Also, as part of your dues notice, there will be two voluntary donation request, **10 for Charity** and the **Sacred Heart Major Seminary Scholarship Fund (SHMSSF)**. The 10 for charity is a \$10 donation that will be used for our state charity programs, and the SHMSSF is a \$6 donation that will be used to help offset the tuition cost for the students of Sacred Heart. Please consider donating to these two programs. We are still looking for someone to take over the Financial Secretary's position. I am looking to step back on my responsibilities and hopefully spend more time with family. The FS position does not require a lot of time but with my work schedule and my other volunteering it is getting to be too much and I am having a hard time keeping up with everything. If you are interested, please contact our Grand Knight Julian at gk1266@mikofc.org. Thanks for your consideration!

Vivat Jesus!  
PGK Shawn Piedmonte  
Financial Secretary

# Council #1266 Calendar



## SEPTEMBER 2023

- 4 Labor Day**
- 5 Council Bingo ..... 5:45 p.m.
- 6 Council Officer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.
- 7 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtg. .... 5:45 a.m.
- 12 Council Bingo ..... 5:45 p.m.
- 13 Council Business Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.
- 13 Building Assoc. Meeting..... 8:00 p.m.
- 19 Council Bingo ..... 5:45 p.m.
- 20 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Business Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.
- 21 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtg. .... 5:45 a.m.
- 26 Council Bingo ..... 5:45 p.m.
- 27 Council Euchre Social..... 5:00 p.m.  
Bring a dish to pass
- 27 Monroe Family of Parishes Event..... 6:00 p.m.

## OCTOBER 2023



- 3 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 4 Council Officer Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.
- 5 Regular Joe Faith Mtng ..... 5:45 a.m.
- 7/8 Tootsie Roll Sale: St. Mary, St. John, St. Anne, St. Charles .....After All Masses**
- 9 Christopher Columbus Day**
- 10 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 11 Council Business Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.
- 11 Building Assoc. Meeting ..... 8:00 p.m.
- 14/15 Tootsie Roll Sale: St. Charles..After All Masses**
- 17 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 18 4<sup>th</sup> Deg. Bus. Mtg..... 7:00 p.m.
- 19 Regular Joe Faith Meeting ..... 5:45 a.m.
- 24 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 25 Council Euchre Social ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Bring a dish to pass
- 31 Halloween**
- 31 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.



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**Join us for an enjoyable night of Euchre,**  
socializing, and of course a  
Potluck dinner at our Council's Social.  
It's a fun night with friends!  
**Potluck Dinner - 5 pm / Euchre - 6pm**



## NOVEMBER 2023

- 1 Council Officer Meeting..... 6:00 p.m.
- 2 Regular Joe Sharing Faith Meeting ..... 5:45 a.m.
- 7 Council Bingo ..... 5:45 p.m.
- 8 Council Business Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.
- 8 Building Assoc. Meeting ..... 8:00 p.m.
- 11 Veterans Day**
- 14 Council Bingo ..... 5:45 p.m.
- 15 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Business Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.
- 16 Regular Joe Sharing Faith Meeting ..... 5:45 a.m.
- 21 Council Bingo ..... 5:45 p.m.
- 22 Council Euchre Social ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Bring a dish to pass
- 23 Thanksgiving Day**
- 28 Council Bingo ..... 5:45 PM



## DECEMBER 2023

- 2 Goodfellows Paper Sale**
- Meet in the Lounge ..... 8:00 a.m.**
- 2 Council Bingo ..... 5:45 p.m.
- 7 Council Officer Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.
- 7 Regular Joe Sharing Faith Meeting ..... 5:45 a.m.
- 9 Council Christmas Mass,  
PGK, & Clergy Dinner ..... 5:00 p.m.
- 12 Council Bingo ..... 5:45 p.m.
- 13 Council Business Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.
- 13 Building Assoc. Meeting ..... 8:00 p.m.
- 19 Council Bingo ..... 5:45 p.m.
- 20 4th Degree Business Meeting ..... 8:00 p.m.
- 21 Regular Joe Sharing Faith Meeting ..... 5:45 a.m.
- 22 **GOODFELLOWS BOX PACKING ..... 6:00 p.m.**
- 23 **GOODFELLOWS BOX DELIVERY ..... 8:00 a.m.**
- 25 Christmas Day**
- 26 No Council Bingo
- 27 No Council Euchre Social
- 31 New Year's Eve**

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**MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST**  
REGULAR JOE

Mens Monthly Prayer Meeting  
1st & 3rd Thursday each month 5:45 AM - 7 AM  
Please Come and Join In!